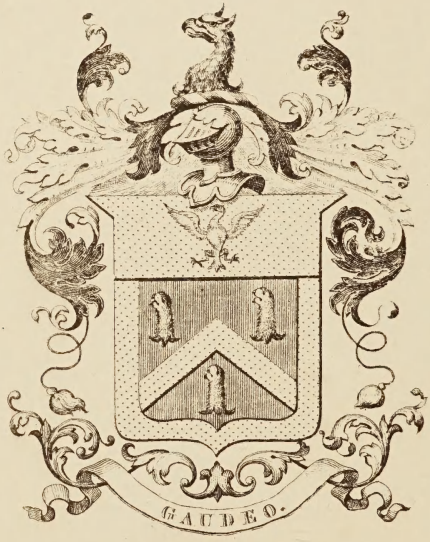

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THere is a Vessell newly arived from *Jamaica*, wherein is come divers Letters and expresses, one of which from *Cornelius Burroughs* Steward

ward Generall, which brings this welcome Newes from thoſe parts. That the three Ships named the *Morſtanmore*, the *Hector*, and the *Cagway*, the laſt being a Prize Veſſell taken in thoſe parts, theſe Ships ſailed from *Jamaica* over unto the Maine, and there fell upon two rich and conſiderable Townes called *Coro* and *Comena*, which Townes they pillaged where they met with a great Booty and rich plunder, and after the Pillaging of the Towne the Engliſh quickly reſolved, the enemy was ſuch as deſerved no better a Farewell, then the burning of thoſe Townes, which was immediately done to the great terror of the Spaniard; At their returne from the Maine homeward they met with two Dutch Ships with Spaniſh Colours, who reſiſted the Engliſh but was by the Engliſh taken and brought into *Poynt-Cagway*, the treaſure taken is valued at the rate of three hundred thouſand pounds. There is likewiſe intelligence come from thoſe parts, that the *Diamond* hath brought in a Prize laden with

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coca nuts, of which is made the pleasant drink, called *Cocolate*, this intelligence is dated the twenty fourth of *Aprill* 1659. from *Poynt-Cagway*, This Service as we may observe was performed for the Common-wealth, about the time the Governement of this Land was changed to a Common-wealth.

I determine not, but who knowes but prosperity may attend those Westerne Parts now, as adversity hath formerly, and how great an end so small a beginning may produce to the curbing of Romish Insolensie.

As for the condition of the place it is a very flourishing Island, and lyes very opportunely to anoy the Spaniard, both upon the Maine, and also in his trade by Sea, the English on the Island being not so much afflicted with diseases as at first coming, are lively and vigorous who for want of

an enemy at home, are led by their activity and courage to seek one abroad, and are ready for any noble Service for their Country.

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